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5. Subject Matter of Amended: Claims 10~12 should be newly added

6. List of Attached Documents

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device to make the vehicle speed in the reverse direction approach to a preset vehicle speed.

8. A vehicle in accordance with any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein said mechanical braking device comprises a brake that applies a mechanical braking force to driven wheels, which are different from the drive wheels.

9. A control method of a vehicle, said vehicle being equipped with a power output device that is capable of outputting a driving force to a drive shaft linked with drive wheels, and with a mechanical braking device that is capable of applying a mechanical braking force to said vehicle, said control method comprising the steps of:

- (a) detecting a slip caused by spin of the drive wheels;
- (b) actuating and controlling said power output device to restrict the driving force output to the drive shaft, in response to detection of a slip in said step (a);
- (c) detecting a slip-down of said vehicle; and
- (d) actuating and controlling said mechanical braking device to apply a mechanical braking force to said vehicle, in response to detection of a slip-down of said vehicle in said step (c) under restricting the driving force output to the drive shaft in said step (b).

10. (New) A vehicle in accordance with claim 1, wherein

said power output device includes an electric motor that is capable of inputting and outputting power from and to said drive shaft.

5 11. (New) A vehicle in accordance with claim 9, wherein said power output device comprises: an internal combustion engine;

 a three-shaft power input output module that is connected with three shafts, that is, an output shaft of said internal combustion engine, said drive shaft, and a third shaft and, 10 when powers input into and output from any two shafts among the three shafts are specified, determines power input into and output from a residual shaft, based on the specified powers;

 a generator that is capable of inputting and outputting 15 power from and to said third shaft.

 12. (New) A vehicle in accordance with claim 9, wherein said power output device comprises: and internal combustion engine; and

20 a pair-rotor motor having a first rotor, which is linked with said output shaft of said internal combustion engine, and a second rotor, which is linked with said drive shaft and relatively rotates through electromagnetic interaction between the first rotor and the second rotor.